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Via ECFS Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1

Dear FCC,

Local broadband providers are vital to provide internet service, particularly in rural and otherwise-poorly-served areas. Many consumers have too few choices (if they have *any* choice at all) in securing an internet connection. I support broadband competition, and the FCC should should do so as well. The now-pending big telco deregulation is a bad idea, and should not be adopted.

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